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1. After the return of SAG plants to German economy on 1 May 1952 and the dissolution of the VVB for carbon derivatives,<sup>1</sup> the Mineral Oil Industry was reorganized as follows:

a. The Boehlen plant with 15,000 workers, the Luetzkendorf plant with 2,300 workers, and the Rositz plant with 2,000 workers, were placed under the direct control of the Department for Mineral Oils and Carbon Derivatives of the Main Administration for Chemical Products which is subordinate to the State Secretariat for Chemical Products, Stones and Earth.

b. All remaining SAG plants were assigned to the VVB der Organisch-Chemischen Industrie (VVB of the Organic-Chemical Industry) in Halle.<sup>2</sup>

2. The Boehlen, Luetzkendorf, and Rositz plants were placed under the control of the State Secretariat for Chemical Products, Stones and Earth to prevent the VVB of the Organic-Chemical Industry from becoming too independent.

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1.  Comment. VVB Kohlewertstoffe. On 15th June, VVB Kohlewertstoffe, VVB Sapotex, and VVB Organa were incorporated into VVB der Organisch-Chemischen Industrie, 28 Karl Liebknechtstrasse, Halle/Saale.

2.  Comment. The VVB of the Organic-Chemical Industry in Halle succeeded the former VVB for carbon derivatives. Presumably it has the same headquarters as the former VVB. The SAG plants which were subordinated to VVB include the Tar Processing Plant in Weissandt-Goelzau, the Tar Processing Plant in Koepsen/Saxony-Anhalt, and the Tar Processing Plant in Webau-Gerstewitz. The Luetzkendorf Refinery, though never a SAG enterprise, became a VEB enterprise upon expropriation in 1946. The Synthesa Plant in Schwarzhilde remained under SAG administration; it was not transferred to German economy as originally reported.

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